



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 316**

February Session, 2006

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF MILITARY FACILITIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 27-39 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

3 (a) As used in this section "military facility" means any state-owned  
4 military building.

5 [(a)] (b) The Adjutant General is charged with the responsibility for  
6 the use and maintenance of all armories, rifle ranges, reservations and  
7 other military property under the provisions for such use imposed by  
8 the statutes. Each [armory] military facility shall be under the charge of  
9 a commissioned officer, designated by the Adjutant General, and may  
10 be [rented] leased by him as herein prescribed. Each application for the  
11 [rental of an armory] lease of such facility shall be made to the officer  
12 in charge of such [armory] facility, who shall forward such application  
13 [ , with recommendations, ] to the Adjutant General, who shall approve  
14 or disapprove such application and so advise the applicant. [through  
15 such armory officer.] The Adjutant General shall limit the lease of  
16 military facilities to military and nonprofit organizations,  
17 organizations receiving state aid and governmental agencies. Proceeds  
18 from the [rental of armories] lease of military facilities shall be paid to  
19 the Adjutant General and shall be by him paid promptly into the  
20 Treasury of the state. The Adjutant General shall, in [state armories]

21 military facilities where space is available, assign [quarters to camps  
22 and posts of war veterans] space to veterans' service organizations for  
23 their joint uses, subject to the regulations concerning [armories]  
24 military facilities. [Such quarters shall be provided for in any new  
25 armory which may be built.] Units of the armed forces of the state and  
26 [veteran] veterans' organizations [quartered in armories, or entitled by  
27 law to quarters,] jointly utilizing military facilities shall be allowed the  
28 use of the drill shed and such other portions of the building as are  
29 usually included when [armories] military facilities are leased, upon  
30 proper application through regular channels and subject to the  
31 following conditions and terms: When no admissions are charged,  
32 [rental] the lease shall be free up to midnight on the regular meeting  
33 night of the organization making application. If the use of the [armory]  
34 military facility is required after midnight, the regular military [rental]  
35 rate shall be charged. At all other times and for entertainments when  
36 admissions are charged, the military [rental] rate shall be charged  
37 [units of the armed forces of the state or veteran] veterans'  
38 organizations [quartered in or entitled by law to quarters in an  
39 armory] jointly using the military facility. Nothing in this chapter shall  
40 be construed as allowing the [rental] lease of any [armory] military  
41 facility (1) on the drill night of any active military organization  
42 stationed in the [armory] facility or in a manner that conflicts with the  
43 military usage of the facility, or (2) the use of any [armory] military  
44 facility at a reduced [rental] rate by any [veteran] veterans'  
45 organization for the purpose of conducting any athletic contest or  
46 other entertainment for which full nonmilitary [rental] rate is charged  
47 military organizations. In no case shall any [veteran] veterans'  
48 organization be allowed use of any [armory] military facility for the  
49 purpose of subleasing.

50 [(b)] (c) Agricultural and other associations that receive state aid  
51 [shall] and military organizations may be allowed the use of [state  
52 armories for exhibition purposes] military facilities at a cost not  
53 exceeding the actual maintenance cost of such [armories] facilities  
54 during the period of such use. Applications for such use [shall] may be

55 made to the Adjutant General through the officer in charge of the  
 56 [armory] military facility desired to be used. In all cases when  
 57 admission is charged, a certificate of insurance, approved by the  
 58 Adjutant General, indemnifying the state against injuries to person and  
 59 damage to property shall be furnished, the cost of the certificate to be  
 60 in addition to the [rental] leasing or maintenance charge. The Adjutant  
 61 General may allow the use of any [state armory] military facility,  
 62 without charge, [for rental,] by (1) any public or private nonprofit  
 63 elementary or secondary school or any [regional community-technical  
 64 college] public institution of higher education for purposes of athletic  
 65 events with respect to which no admission is charged, [and] (2) the  
 66 American [National] Red Cross for purposes of blood supply  
 67 programs, and (3) any local, state or federal governmental agency,  
 68 provided any such use does not conflict with the use of such [armory]  
 69 facility for military purposes.

70 (d) Not later than August 1, 2007, and annually thereafter, the  
 71 Adjutant General shall submit a report of the amount of proceeds  
 72 received from leasing each military facility and the expenses of each  
 73 such facility, for the twelve-month period ending on June thirtieth of  
 74 the same year, to the Military Department, the joint standing  
 75 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
 76 relating to public safety and the select committee of the General  
 77 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to veterans' affairs, in  
 78 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2006	27-39
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